

## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

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<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b> CONSENT AGENDA		<b>ORIGINATING DEPT:</b> PUBLIC WORKS	<b>ITEM NO.</b> D.20
<b>ITEM</b>	EXTENSION OF ZIPS DIAL-A-RIDE CONTRACT FOR 2004		<b>PREPARED BY:</b> A KNAUER

The bid was awarded to Rochester Transportation Systems Inc. (RTS ) for operation of ZIPS Dial-A-Ride for 2001 and 2002. The contract provides for the negotiation of 3 annual extensions for a total contract period of 5 years. The annual rate of increase is not to exceed the Consumer Price Index for the period.

Staff is recommending extension of the contract with RTS for 2004. RTS has provided good service and has been responsive to any concerns. The current per vehicle hourly rate is \$34.68. For 2004 RTS has agreed to a maximum increase of 1.8%, or less if the final percent change in CPI for 2003 is lower. The percent increase in CPI based on the Minneapolis index is 1.3% for the first 6 months of 2003. The average percent increase in CPI for all U.S cities for 10 months (through October) is 1.8%.

In conjunction with the contract extension the original contract specifications apply as well as the following amendments also included in the 2003 contract extension;

Section III. B. Drivers Wages and Benefits – the minimum hourly wages will be adjusted per CPI rounded to the nearest 5 cents.

Section III. F. Insurance-physical damage minimums for City owned vehicles will be adjusted per a straight line depreciation calculated by the City.

Section XIV. Option for Grouped Taxi Rides- this was amended to include van services at the option of the City based on a per vehicle hour rate of \$24.00. In addition RTS will subcontract for wheelchair van services as requested by the City.

All other existing contract provisions and service specifications apply.

### REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Adopt the prepared resolution approving extension of the City/ RTS contract for 2004 at a per vehicle hourly rate of \$35.30 based on an increase of 1.8%, and subject to such rate of increase not exceeding the final CPI percent change for 2003, and including the original 2001-2002 specifications with amendments documented in the 2003 contract extension.

**COUNCIL ACTION:** Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by:  
to:

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